

**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
0155.00030

In Re Application Of: Jeffrey J. Lace

Serial No.  
10/053,440

Filing Date  
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J. Donels

Group Art Unit  
2837

Invention: SENSOR ASSEMBLY FOR STRINGED MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of September 25, 2003 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☒ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: December 25, 2003    until: February 25, 2004  
*Date*    *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	19 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	5 -	3 =	2	x \$43.00	\$86.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$86.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$210.00
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>					<b>\$296.00</b>

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of **\$296.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of **\$296.00**
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **02-2712**
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **02-2712**

  
Signature

Dated: February 25, 2004

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited  
on February 25, 2004 with the U.S. Postal Service  
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the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria,  
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